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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 6 with the following:

-- An appendix forms part of this application. The appendix, which includes a source

code listing relating to an embodiment of the invention, includes 153 frames on 2 microfiche. --

Delete the paragraphs beginning at page 6, line 28 through page 7, line 14 and insert the

following:

-- Pseudocode Listings

Referenced below are the following 5 pseudocode listings:

Pseudocode Listing 1

| 401. | INSTRUCT the synchronizer to initialize itself, specifying current user options |
| 402. | INSTRUCT the synchronizer to load the appropriate history file into its workspace |
| 403. | INSTRUCT host Translator to LOAD all of host Records from host Database |
| 404. | INSTRUCT RemoteTranslator to LOAD |